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0. FOREWORD

- 0.1 This Indian Standard was adopted by the Indian Standards Institution on 7 December 1973, after the draft finalized by the Acoustics Sectional Committee had been approved by the Electrotechnical Division Council.
- **0.2** The object of this standard is to specify uniform physical, mechanical, electrical and climatic requirements for the purpose of evaluation of the quality of megaphones.
- 0.3 For the purpose of deciding whether a particular requirement of this standard is complied with, the final value, observed or calculated, expressing the result of a test, shall be rounded off in accordance with IS: 2-1960*. The number of significant places retained in the rounded off value should be the same as that of the specified value in this standard.

1. SCOPE

- 1.1 This standard prescribes the general and performance requirements of transistorized megaphones.
- 1.2 Methods of measurements and electro-acoustic requirements and classification of type tests, acceptance tests and routine tests are not covered in this standard.

2. TERMINOLOGY

- 2.0 For the purpose of this standard, the following definition shall apply.
- 2.1 Megaphone A device used to intensify or direct the sound. This consists of a microphone, an amplifier, a loudspeaker and power supply, built into a single portable unit.

^{*}Rules for rounding off numerical values (revised).

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3. CATEGORY

3.1 The megaphone shall be able to withstand the following climatic severities:

Climatic Test	Severities
Dry heat	+70° C
Cold	−10° C
Damp heat (cycling)	2 cycles

Note — In case of special requirements where the above category cannot be applied, different combinations of climatic severities may be agreed to between the purchaser and the supplier, provided that the degrees of severity are chosen from those specified in IS: 2106* series.

4. MATERIALS COMPONENTS, WORKMANSHIP AND ACCESSORIES

- **4.1 Materials and Components** The megaphone shall be constructed from suitable materials and components conforming to relevant Indian Standard Specifications, if any.
- **4.2 Workmanship**—All parts of the megaphone shall be manufactured thoroughly workmanlike manner and in accordance with good engineering practice. Dry battery should be easily replaceable.
- 4.3 Each megaphone shall be provided with at least the following:
 - a) Volume control,
 - b) Strap for hanging from shoulder, and
 - c) On-off switch (non-locking type).
 - 4.3.1 The following optional facilities may be provided:
 - a) Input socket with appropriate markings and cable, for use with external power supply. The socket shall be suitably polarized.
 - b) Input socket and cable with remote on-off switching facility for use with external microphone.
 - c) Socket for auxiliary input.
 - d) Microphone dust cover.

5. MARKING

- 5.1 Each megaphone shall be clearly and indelibly marked with the following information.
 - a) Name and trade-mark of the manufacturer,
 - b) Serial number,

^{*}Environmental tests for electronic and electrical equipment.

- c) Rated power output of the amplifier,
- d) Supply voltage and battery polarity, and
- e) Country of origin.
- 5.2 Each megaphone may also be marked with the ISI Certification Mark.

Note — The use of the ISI Certification Mark is governed by the provisions of the Indian Standards Institution (Certification Marks) Act and the Rules and Regulations made thereunder. The ISI Mark on products covered by an Indian Standard conveys the assurance that they have been produced to comply with the requirements of that standard, under a well-defined system of inspection, testing and quality control which is devised and supervised by ISI and operated by the producer. ISI marked products are also continuously checked by ISI for conformity to that standard as a further safeguard. Details of conditions, under which a licence for the use of the ISI Certification Mark may be granted to manufacturers or processors, may be obtained from the Indian Standards Institution.

6. MECHANICAL REQUIREMENTS

- **6.1 Dimension** The dimensions shall comply with the manufacturer's specification.
- 6.2 Weight Weight of the complete unit without battery and without shoulder strap shall be not more than 2.5 kg.

7. ELECTRO-ACOUSTIC REQUIREMENTS

- 7.1 Output Sound Pressure Level For the purpose of this measurement, the level of speech and the setting of the volume control shall be such that there is no appreciable acoustic feed back. The output sound pressure level at a specified point (1.5 meters) on the axis shall be not less than 90 dB.
- **7.2 Harmonic Distortion** The overall harmonic distortion shall be less than 10 percent at 1000 Hz at the conditions specified in **7.1**.
- 7.3 Frequency Response The overall frequency response shall be within ±3 dB from 300 to 3000 Hz.
- **7.4 Power Source** It shall be possible to use commonly available dry cells which can be accommodated within the units.
- 7.5 Life of Power Source With a 1000 Hz sinusoidal input signal and the amplifier operated at 10 percent of the rated output power, the onload voltage per cell shall not fall below 0.75 V/cell in less than 5 hours.
- 7.6 Rated Power Output of the Amplifier The rated power output shall be as specified by the manufacturer.
- 7.7 Temperature Limited Output Under Consideration.

8. CLIMATIC TESTS

- 8.1 Climatic Sequence The climatic sequence shall consist of dry heat, damp heat (cycling) and cold tests carried out in the following order:
 - a) Dry heat (see 8.1.1),
 - b) Damp heat (cycling) first cycle (see 8.1.2),
 - c) Cold (see 8.1.3), and
 - d) Damp heat (cycling)—remaining cycles (see 8.1.4).
- 8.1.1 Dry Heat The megaphone shall be subjected to dry heat test in accordance with IS: 2106 (Part IV)-1963*. The temperature of the test chamber shall be maintained at the appropriate maximum value of the category (see 3.1).
- **8.1.2** Damp Heat (Cycling) The megaphone shall be subjected to the first cycle of damp heat (cycling) test in accordance with IS:2106 (Part II)-1962†.
- **8.1.3** Cold The megaphone shall be subjected to cold test in accordance with IS: 2106 (Part III)-1963‡. The temperature of the test chamber shall be maintained at the appropriate minimum value of the category (see 3.1).
- 8.1.4 Damp Heat (Cycling) The megaphone shall be subjected to the remaining cycles of damp heat (cycling) test in accordance with IS: 2106 (Part II)-1962† (see 3.1). The number of remaining cycles in this case is one cycle.
- 8.1.5 Final Measurement At the end of the climatic sequence the megaphone shall be kept at the standard atmospheric conditions specified in IS: 2106 (Part III)-1963‡ for 24 hours for recovery. At the end of the recovery period, there shall be no mechanical damage and the megaphone shall confirm to the requirements specified in 7.
- 8.2 Water Spray The megaphone shall pass the water spray test specified in IS: 2106 (Part XI)-1965§. The normal operating position of the megaphone shall be horizontal. At the end of the recovery period there shall be no mechanical damage and the megaphone shall conform to the requirements specified in 7.
- 8.3 Bump This test shall be carried out in accordance with IS: 2106 (Part VII)-1964||. At the end of the recovery period there shall be no

^{*}Environmental tests for electronic equipment: Part IV Dry heat test.

[†]Environmental tests for electronic equipment: Part II Damp heat (cycling) test.

[†]Environmental tests for electronic equipment: Part III Cold test.

[§]Environmental tests for electronic equipment: Part XI Water spray test.

mechanical damage and the megaphone shall conform to the requirements specified in 7.

8.4 Vibration — This test shall be carried out in accordance with IS: 2106 (Part XVI)-1971*. At the end of the recovery period there shall be no mechanical damage and the megaphone shall conform to the requirements specified in 7.

^{*}Environmental tests for electronic equipment: Part XVI Vibration test.

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